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For: SUPPORT STRUCTURE AND GEAR
MECHANISM HAVING THE SUPPORT
STRUCTURE (As Amended)

Examiner: James Pilkington

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated December 16, 2009, for which a response was due on March 16, 2010. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to April 16, 2010. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.